

# TOWN OF NEWINGTON

300 Garfield Street Newington, Connecticut 06111

# Police Department



MINUTES
POLICE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Zoom Meeting
7:00 P.M.
June 2, 2021

Town Clerk

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In Attendance:

Chief Clark Mary Houle Todd Russell

Ashlee Taylor-Love-Kailas

Patricia Mahoney Louise French

Rev. Melanie Enfield

Nancy Baxter Jorgina Gionfriddo

Town Councilor Gail Budrejko Town Councilor Chris Minor

Called to Order at 7:02 PM

## I. UPDATE ON DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

A. Staffing

The department currently has three police officer vacancies and one recruit officer at the police academy. The department expects two-three additional retirements over the next several months. There are two officers assigned to light duty due to injury. Currently trying to hire recruit officers for a September police academy class.

B. Calls for Service (January 1st to May 31st)

Burglary 48
Domestic Violence 136
Larceny 212
Car Breaks 180
Stolen Cars 25
Traffic Stops 890
Emotional Disturbed Person 96
Sexual Assaults 13
Robbery 5
Traffic Stop – Failure to Stop 22

## Breach of Peace/Disorderly 37

#### C. Activities

The police/fire golf tournament is slated for the end of September. The proceeds from the tournament help fund department community outreach programs.

#### II. NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The department is moving forward with National Night Out on August 3rd from 5pm to 8pm. Looking for volunteers from PCC.

#### III. BODY WORN CAMERA UPDATE

The department is moving forward with the BWC program. Working with the Newington legislative delegation and the State Office and Policy Management (OPM) on reimbursement for a leasing program. The department is eligible for 40 percent reimbursement for purchasing BWC and hoping OPM will consider re-imbursement for a leasing program.

#### IV. PUBLIC RADIO SYSTEM UPDATE

The Town is considering joining the State Public Safety Radio System. Police and fire currently testing the system.

### V. PUBLIC COMMENT None

## VI. MEMBER COMMENT None

#### VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Stephen Clark